

Contact Parks and Recreation at 952-563-8877 for more information on these events.

ADULT SPORTS

BATTER UP! PLAY AMERICA’S FAVORITE GAME



Registrations are being accepted for summer adult softball leagues, including men’s, men’s fast pitch, women’s and co-rec. **Beginning April 29**, more than 300 teams will compete throughout the summer and fall at recreational and competitive levels.

Leagues are hosted at Dred Scott, 10820 Bloomington Ferry Road, and Valley View, 9000 Portland Avenue South, playfields. Leagues are for adults, ages 18 and older. Single game leagues play 10 games a season and double-header leagues play 20 games a season.

All teams are sanctioned in the ASA and USSSA.

For more information, contact Jason Hicks at 952-563-8880 or e-mail jhicks@ci.bloomington.mn.us.

When: Monday - Friday, starting April 29.

Cost: \$555 + tax, per team, Single Game Leagues.
\$785 + tax, per team, Double Header Leagues.

Deadline: March 11.

IMPROVE YOUR PITCH FREE PITCHING CLINICS OFFERED

Free pitching clinics are available to all Bloomington Fastpitch Association pitchers now through March 29. Clinics take place 6 - 7 p.m. and 7 - 8 p.m., at Valley View Middle School, 8900 Portland Avenue South, **February 8 and 15, and March 1 and 8**. Clinics at Valley View Elementary School are **March 15, 22 and 29**.

Pitchers should bring their own catchers to the clinics.

For more information, visit bloomingtonfastpitchmn.com.

BORN AGAIN JOCKS ENJOY INDOOR VOLLEYBALL



The Born Again Jocks volleyball league welcomes men, 55 years and older, of all skill levels, to enjoy volleyball at Jefferson High School, 4001 West 102nd Street.

For more information, contact Don Wilkie at 952-884-2146 or Don Wagoner at doje65@netzero.net.

PARKS AND RECREATION



THE HUNT IS ON! ANNUAL FAMILY EVENT IS SURE TO PLEASE

Kids, age eight and under, won’t want to miss this “eggs”traordinary annual event sponsored by Bloomington Parks and Recreation and the Bloomington Breakfast Optimist Club. While you’re there, check out the family fun walk and informational booths.

When: Saturday, April 23, 9:30 a.m. - noon.

Where: Normandale Lake Bandshell, 5901 West 84th Street

Time: Hunt begins 11 a.m.



FLIP OUT! GYMNASTICS PROGRAM COMBINES FITNESS WITH FUN

DREAMING OF WARMER DAYS

BLOOMINGTON FAMILY AQUATIC CENTER (BFAC) DISCOUNTED SEASON PASSES FOR RESIDENTS

Buy your BFAC resident season pass before April 14 and receive \$2 off. Purchase your pass prior to June 11 and receive \$1 off. If you bring your old pass to be reactivated, you’ll receive an additional dollar off. Passes are sold at the Parks and Recreation counter at Civic Plaza through June 10. Beginning June 8, passes will be available daily, 4 - 7 p.m., at the BFAC, 301 East 90th Street. The BFAC is open **June 11 - August 21** and weekends through Labor Day.



2011 RESIDENT SEASON PASS (PRICES INCLUDE TAX)

Infant, age 1 and under	Free
Child, age 2 - 10	\$15.75
Young adult, age 11 - 15	\$26.75
Adult, age 16 - 54	\$49
Senior, age 55 and up	\$15.75

WEBSITE KEYWORDS: AQUATIC CENTER.

SUPER SATURDAY SIGN-UP FOR SUMMER SPECTRUM

Register for youth programs online or in person on Super Sign-Up Saturday. Look for more details in the Summer Spectrum 2011 program brochure.

When: Saturday, March 12, 9 - 10 a.m.

Where: Bloomington Civic Plaza, 1800 West Old Shakopee Road.

WEBSITE KEYWORDS: SUMMER SPECTRUM.



l’il Flipsters Gymnastics is back again for children, ages 30 months to kindergarten. This mobile gymnastics organization provides gymnastics training and motor skill development in a safe and fun environment.

New sessions begin every month through May 2011.

Classes are held at Bloomington Ice Garden, 3600 West 98th Street, Tuesday and Friday mornings and afternoons. Classes are \$27 per three-week session and \$36 for a four-week session.

WEBSITE KEYWORD: FLIPSTERS.

MAJOR TRAIL RECONSTRUCTION COMING SOON IMPROVEMENTS WILL CONNECT BUSH LAKE PARKS

The trails around Bloomington’s biggest lake are about to get a much-needed facelift. Nearly three miles of paved trails will be reconstructed or paved. A new trail connecting East and West Bush Lake parks will be added along Bush Lake’s southeast shore. *See map*. The trails will also be widened to be more pedestrian-friendly while, at the same time, accommodate multiple modes of transportation including wheelchairs and bicycles.

“We have well-used trails, they’re loved, and they’re getting a little worn in places,” Parks and Recreation Manager Randy Quale said. “From a recreational and health standpoint, this is a big priority. People want to walk and bike, walk their dogs, and go out on these trails.”



Last November, the City Council awarded a contract to Northwest Asphalt to make the trail improvements around Bush Lake, part of the Hyland-Bush-Anderson Lakes Regional Park Reserve. Work on the trails is expected to begin in the spring and be completed by late June.

The trail improvements are funded by grants from the Metropolitan Council, State of Minnesota and the Statewide Health Improvement Program. The project was bid out in late 2010. Bids came in significantly under original estimates, perhaps as a result of the current economic downturn.

For more information, contact Senior Civil Engineer Julie Long at jlong@ci.bloomington.mn.us or 952-563-4865.

